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To the People of Kansas

And now comes State Auditor, Nation recommending that the appropriations reported for the Manual Training Normal at Pittsburg be cut from \$296,500 to \$244,000 and \$277,000 for Western State Normal School at Fort Hays be cut to \$74,000. What follows is not a protest against reasonably larger appropriations for the former place but is a comparison of the latter with the only state educational institution in its class.

The proposed cut for Pittsburg is about 18 per cent; that for Fort Hays over 73 per cent. The reason given for the disproportionate slashing is that the western school is growing less rapidly than the eastern institution. On the same page of the daily paper in which Mr. Nation's interview appears is a showing, presumably from his office, giving total amounts spent for building at Pittsburg as \$150,000 over against a total of \$75,000 at Fort Hays, the two schools being a little more than a year apart in age.

As to figures the interview states that the first year of the occupancy of Pittsburg's magnificent modern building, the year 1907 and 1908, witnessed an enrollment there of but 325 while last year an aggregate of 723 students were enrolled. The year 1907 and 1908 saw 357 students at Fort Hays, a number increased to 449 last year, housed in building costing but half the outlay for the Pittsburg plant. An overcrowded condition this year at Pittsburg, making reasonable a demand there for more, in anticipating a total attendance of 1000 for the year can hardly be a greater proportionate crowding than maintains at Hays where buildings costing but half the money and presumably sufficient to house half the students must suffice for a total enrollment of 500 reasonably anticipated for the year—despite Mr. Nation's information that there has been a falling off in attendance here. But instead of a falling off the current term opening November 14, showed an increase of over 12 per cent as compared with the corresponding date a year ago. A large bunch of magnificent young men theretofore detained at home to put in the largest acreage of wheat ever planted in western Kansas came in on that date and modified conditions decidedly. The matter was of but little importance, however, even were Mr. Nation right as to present attendance. Pittsburg experienced a slump of from 351 in 1906-7 to 325 in 1907-8 without preventing the fine growth which followed an adequate housing of the school in the opening of the \$150,000 building at the beginning of the latter year as stated in Mr. Nation's interview.

The really important facts, not to be forgotten, are:

First, the school at Fort Hays is the only State educational institution in the western two-thirds of this great commonwealth, a region which in the past decade shows a far larger

increase in rural population than does the rest of the state. Nor should it be forgotten in this connection that for a number of decades before even this school was established western Kansas cheerfully paid taxes to support older state educational institutions, the nearest of which, at Manhattan is 171 miles east of Fort Hays.

2nd, the school here, in the center of what in the nature of things must forever be a great agricultural empire, has peculiarly for its work the problem of the pedagogy of rural schools. President Roosevelt was never more a constructive statesman than when he originated the Country Life Commission nor never more a seer than when he declared the "No growth of cities, no growth of wealth" can make up for any loss in either the number or character of the farming population," and when he further declared that "The farmer must insist upon a practical curriculum in the school in which his children are taught." The solution of the rural school problem as a means to check the ever increasing rush to the cities is the pressing need in educational fields today. Eastern Kansas, the home of all the other educational institutions can and does afford many high schools costing more than the plant at Hays. Can it be that the western school, ministering to more pressing needs than can any general or technical institution in overcrowded centers of population is to be checked in its progress by an inadequate support?

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Picken,
Principal Western State Normal School, Hays, Kansas.

Hello

Hurrah, boys! All that are interested in broncho riding, come to Wa-Keeney, Saturday evening, December 17. I will ride two bucking bronchos from Colorado and am sure it will interest you.

Jim Corpening.

Notice

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of The Ogallah State Bank, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before them will be held at the Bank at Ogallah, Kansas, January 3rd, 1911 at 2:00 p. m. All the shareholders are earnestly requested to be present.

Roy W. Blakely, Cashier.

The Western State Normal School

A western institution for western people. Grants one year, three year and life diploma state certificates.

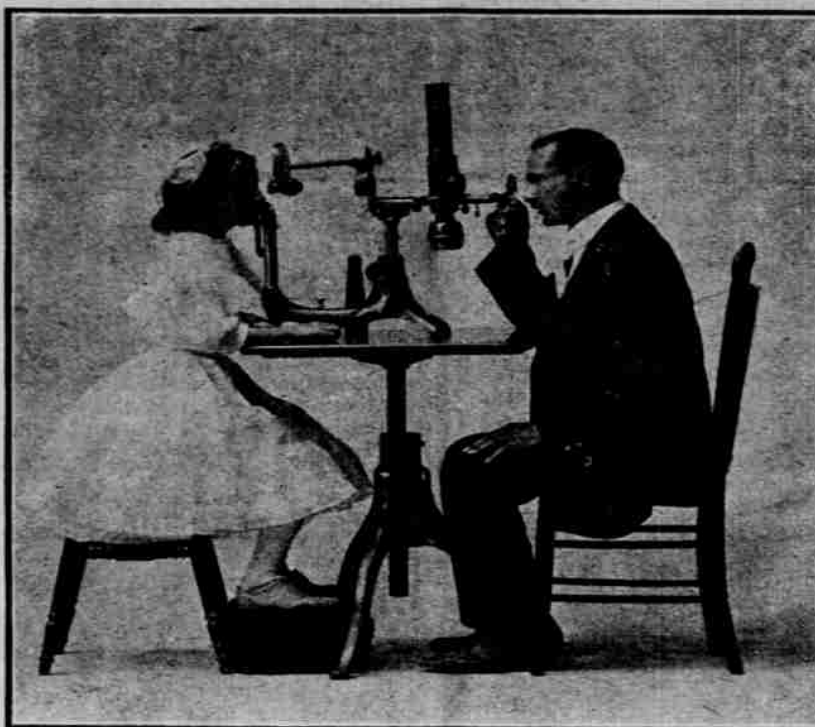
Offers strong courses in domestic science and art, manual training, educational, agriculture and commercial subjects.

Has a new model district school building.

The only state educational institution in the western two-thirds of Kansas.

Write for information to the principal, William S. Picken, Hays, Kans.

Fresh pork at Baker's.



M. J. Strauss

the well known Eye Specialist and Optometrist will again be in Wa-Keeney, December 23 and 24. Better attend to your eyes now. Strauss has cured eye trouble where all the rest have failed which he can refer to the most satisfied patient in the country.

Lecture at Ogallah Kansas

The second number of the Ogallah Lecture Course will be a lecture by Paul Voelker. Mr. Voelker comes to us highly recommended as a forceful speaker, an earnest student of human nature and a man that carries the entire audience with him from start to finish by his sparkling wit and simplicity of address; you surely cannot afford to miss this literary treat. Everybody invited, everybody come. Admission, adults 50 cents, children 25 cents.

At Ogallah Hall, Thursday evening, December 15th, 1910 at 8:30 p. m.

Report of School District No. 41

For the month ending November 25. Those neither absent nor tardy: Clemence, Ruth and Charley Hooper; Marguerite, Edno and Emma Grippin; Hazel, John and Eddie Briggs; Hazel and Irene Eaton; Charlotte Glenn.

Report of Voda School

For month ending December 2nd, 1910. Enrollment 24; number days taught 18; average daily attendance 20.6; tardiness 16; visitors 6.

Those neither absent nor tardy: Stanley Austin, Dorothy Brown, Bessie, Lawrence, and Josephine Krihut, John and Katie Knoll, and Grace, Myrle and Ruth Schwanbeck. Ethel Carpenter, Teacher.

Now is the time when you need your photos for holiday gifts. See Triggs at Ellis.

Weather Report

Maximum and minimum temperature according to the government thermometer at Wa-Keeney for the week ending Wednesday noon.

	MAX.	MIN.
Thursday.....	36.....	14.....
Friday.....	45.....	13.....
Saturday.....	48.....	35.....
Sunday.....	41.....	21.....
Monday.....	40.....	19.....
Tuesday.....	50.....	2.....
Wednesday.....	42.....	13.....

A little colder with a trace of snow is about the only change to be noted for the week.

Don't forget the Crawfords & Co. at the Wa-Keeney Court House, December 12 and 13, presenting "Wages of Sin" and "Heart of the Rockies." Special Scenery. Five big singing and dancing specialties. Popular prices, 25 and 35 cents.

Notice to Stockholders

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Collyer State Bank, Collyer, Kans., will be held at the bank in Collyer, on Tuesday, January 10th, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m. John J. Harrison, Cashier.

Correct Abstracts—W. H. Swiggett. The best bowl of Chili in town at Bragg's restaurant.

C. L. Hardman made a business trip to Stockton last Wednesday afternoon. He made the trip in Geo. Kulp's auto.

Soothes itching skin. Heals cuts or burns without a scar. Cures piles, eczema, salt rheum any itching. Doan's Ointment. Your druggist sells it.

Wishing you a merry Christmas and a bright coming year. Don't forget the dates, December 23 and 24 at Wa-Keeney—Strauss, the eye specialist and optometrist. 40 3t

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Mr. and Mrs. Herman Renken mourn the loss of their twins. The boy died Wednesday of last week and the girl died last Monday. This is a hard blow to the bereaved parents and they have the sympathy of all in this their sad hour of sorrow.

Ed. Guschewsky and Auctioneer Olson of Collyer, were in town Thursday morning. Mr. G. left a sale notice at this office that should interest every farmer in Trego county. It is a sale of farm machinery. This notice will be found on another page of this issue.

F. Rensmeyer will hold a public sale next Thursday at his farm south of Wa-Keeney. His stock is of the best especially the mares and yearlings. The black colts advertised received first prizes, one at Ogallah labor day celebration, the other at the Trego county fair. These colts are the best ones in the county, in fact, all his horses are good ones. Don't fail to attend this sale.

Farmers' Institute

Now is the annual season for the Farmers' institutes of Kansas and meetings are being held in the various counties, several circuits being underway, two speakers from the Agricultural College being on each circuit. Farmers' institute work in Kansas has reached a higher development than in most states in the way of organization as there are now nearly three hundred regularly organized institutes with a membership of nearly twelve thousand farmers. No other state has over half as many organizations nor half as many members. Farmers' institutes in Kansas are really a sort of business conferences of the best farmers of the community to find out the best ways of doing things. The Agricultural College simply helps by dating the meetings and sending two speakers to assist with the program.

There will be a Farmers' institute meeting at Wa-Keeney on December 12 and 13. A good program has been prepared and a profitable meeting is expected. The speakers for the Agricultural College will be Professor Fitz who will give a drill in judging wheat and Professor TenEyck who will give a drill in judging corn.

These are very important subjects for this part of the state. Local speakers have various other subjects on the program and the meeting will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. Every farmer is urged to bring some samples of corn, apples and potatoes for the exhibit.

You won't find DRY GOODS at the BOOK STORE, but you will find all the latest in Boys, girls, Fiction story or Gift Books, and the various other articles USUALLY found in a Book Store at prices to suit all.

The Stallion And Jack Laws

Until recently Kansas has had no law governing the horse breeding industry. The law which was recently passed by the State Legislature for the control of the stallion and jack business has been found to be inadequate to the needs of the state and this question will be brought up for action before the next Legislature. Kansas has suffered immensely in the past by reason of the fact that there was no control over the stallion and jack business and defective and diseased animals could be placed in stud with no recourse on the part of the farmer. The present law and the needs of the state in regard to it will be discussed by a member of the Stallion Registry Board at the twenty-second annual meeting of the Kansas Improved Stock Breeders Association which will be held in Topeka on January 9-11, 1911. The meetings are free to all and the very interesting program which has been provided will insure a large attendance. The membership of this Association numbers nearly 1,000 and is representative of the live stock industry of the state in every phase. Both members and others who are interested are invited to send suggested topics for discussion to the secretary, and the members are requested to send in the names of other breeders and stockmen whom they can recommend for membership. The meeting will close with a free banquet to the members on the evening of Wednesday January 11. Address I. D. Graham, Secretary, Topeka, Kans. for program.

Read the World Want Ads.

Booth's celebrated seal ship oysters at Baker's; 50c per quart. 40

"Wages of Sin" will be the opening play of the Crawfords & Co., at the Wa-Keeney Court House, December 12th. Special Scenery. Five big singing and dancing specialties. Everything new but the name. Prices 25 and 35 cents.

The fourth number of the regular course of entertainments will be given next Wednesday evening, December 14, by Rogers and Grille. This company gives a novel and entertaining program consisting of harp and vocal solos, recitations and readings set to music, entirely different from any program ever given here before. This is an "extra" number, an extra good one, the most expensive ever presented by the committee, and should bring out a crowded house; but it is given free to all holders of season tickets. The tickets will be on sale Saturday at the usual place and prices.

Dr. M. J. Brown, Specialist,

of Salina, will be at the American House, Tuesday, January 10th, Ellis, January 11th, prepared to treat the medical and surgical diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and to fit glasses.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure
The only baking powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar
No Alum, No Lime Phosphate

Pickled pork at Baker's.

Home made Chili at Bragg's restaurant.

When a child complains of her eyes or headaches better see Strauss, at Trego House, December 23 and 24. 40 3t

J. H. Marshall writes from Osceola, Mo., that he is permanently located on his farm near the above named place; am well and happy. Send Word.

The best thing to start the New Year with is a pair of good eyes, so don't neglect if you haven't got any, better see Strauss at Wa-Keeney, December 23 and 24. 40 3t

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith of west of town, were the victims of a birthday party last Saturday evening, it being Mrs. Smith's birthday. A number of their Wa-Keeney friends planned and executed a hay rack party. The evening was delightfully spent and will long be remembered both by the ladies and gentlemen present as they all report Mr. and Mrs. Smith royal entertainers.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL condition of the Collyer State Bank at Collyer, State of Kansas, at the close of business on the 23rd day of November, 1910.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts.....	57,026 79
Loans on real estate.....	2,000 00
Overdrafts.....	62 87
Bank Building and lot.....	1,500 00
Furniture and fixtures.....	329 57
Expense account.....	99 74
Cash items and clearing-house items.....	53 48
Cash and slight exchange, legal reserve.....	16,378 35
Total.....	\$ 75,067 75
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$10,000 00
Surplus fund.....	2,000 00
Undivided profits.....	3,375 49
Interest.....	329 57
Exchange.....	53 48
Individual deposits.....	54,427 43
Certificates of deposits.....	4,861 86
Total.....	75,067 75

State of Kansas, County of Trego, ss. I, John J. Harrison, cashier of said bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true; that said bank has no liabilities, and is not indebted on any note or obligation, other than shown on the above statement, to the best of my knowledge and belief. So help me God. JOHN J. HARRISON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 22nd day of November, 1910.

Attest: CHAS. E. DOWDIE, Notary Public.

Commission expires on 2nd day of September 1913.

JAMES WALSH, CHAS. R. KIRBY, JOHN J. HARRISON, Directors.

You Can't Have a Merry Christmas

WITHOUT GOOD EATABLES AND LOTS OF THEM

And if you had all the money THERE IS, you couldn't buy any HIGHER GRADED GROCERIES than those that we are handing out those days

Have all of the obtainable dried FRUITS—CELERY—NUTS—PICKELS AND OLIVES—CHEESE OF EVERY SORT. The freshest of OYSTERS that there are

COFFEES that are unbeatable. MAPLE SYRUP—The finest you ever saw

IN FACT EVERYTHING TO EAT, and everything just as it should be for Christmas. We are waiting to wait on you

STAR GROCERY

December

the best month in the year

THIS is the time when you prepare for the long cold winter and when you are cleaning and preparing the house look close and see if you don't need a new Stove, Rug, or any old kind of a rug.

Don't break your backs making Comforts; we have nice ones and cheap, too.

A BIG STOCK OF STAPLE AND FANCY FURNITURE

Larabee Furniture Co.